

sought to bring honor and integrity to the postal service through his words and his actions and recognized the ever important role that the postal service has played in the everyday lives of everyone."

Mr. Speaker, bestowing Colonel Wilson's name to the post office where he served his community for so many years is only a small tribute to a man who dedicated his entire life to the service of others. As we celebrate Black History Month, it is fitting that we honor this great American hero and pioneer. I ask my colleagues to support S. 234.

To his wife of 63 years, Lydia, and their two daughters and two grandsons, it is my privilege to share Colonel Wilson's story today. I know he made you proud as he has made the people of Illinois proud.

Thank you to my good friend and Illinois colleague Senator DICK DURBIN for introducing this legislation. I would also like to thank Chairman TOWNS and Ranking Member ISSA for working with me to bring this bill to the floor.

Mr. JORDAN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I urge all Members to support the passage of S. 234, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, again I urge my colleagues to join me and Representative HARE. It is not every day that we are able to dedicate a postal building in memory of a career postal clerk and member of the American Postal Workers Union. So for that reason I ask our colleagues to join us in supporting Senate 234.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. LYNCH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 234.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

approval of the Journal, de novo;
motions to suspend the rules with regard to:

H.R. 80, de novo;

H.R. 637, by the yeas and nays;

H. Res. 83, by the yeas and nays; and

S. 234, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal, which the Chair will put de novo.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. JORDAN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 242, nays 163, not voting 27, as follows:

[Roll No. 75]

YEAS—242

Abercrombie	Ellison	Levin
Ackerman	Engel	Lewis (GA)
Adler (NJ)	Eshoo	Lipinski
Andrews	Etheridge	Loebach
Baca	Fattah	Loftgren, Zoe
Baird	Filner	Lujan
Baldwin	Forbes	Lummis
Barrow	Foster	Lynch
Bean	Frank (MA)	Maffei
Becerra	Fudge	Maloney
Berkley	Gerlach	Markey (CO)
Berman	Gonzalez	Markey (MA)
Berry	Goodlatte	Marshall
Bilbray	Gordon (TN)	Massa
Bishop (NY)	Grayson	Matheson
Blumenauer	Green, Al	Matsui
Boccieri	Green, Gene	McCarthy (NY)
Boren	Griffith	McClintock
Boswell	Grijalva	McCollum
Boucher	Gutierrez	McDermott
Boyd	Hall (NY)	McGovern
Brady (PA)	Halvorson	McIntyre
Braley (IA)	Hare	McMahon
Bright	Harman	McNerney
Brown, Corrine	Hastings (FL)	Meek (FL)
Butterfield	Heinrich	Meeks (NY)
Capps	Heller	Melancon
Capuano	Herseth Sandlin	Michaud
Cardoza	Higgins	Miller (NC)
Carnahan	Hill	Miller, George
Carson (IN)	Himes	Minnick
Castor (FL)	Hinchee	Mollohan
Chandler	Hinojosa	Moore (KS)
Clarke	Hirono	Moore (WI)
Clay	Hodes	Moran (VA)
Cleaver	Hoekstra	Murphy (CT)
Clyburn	Holt	Murphy, Patrick
Cohen	Honda	Murtha
Connolly (VA)	Hoyer	Nadler (NY)
Conyers	Inslee	Napolitano
Cooper	Israel	Neal (MA)
Costa	Jackson (IL)	Oberstar
Costello	Jackson-Lee	Obeys
Courtney	(TX)	Olver
Crowley	Johnson (GA)	Ortiz
Cuellar	Johnson (IL)	Pallone
Cummings	Kagen	Pascarelli
Dahlkemper	Kanjorski	Pastor (AZ)
Davis (AL)	Kaptur	Payne
Davis (CA)	Kennedy	Perlmutter
Davis (IL)	Kildee	Peters
Davis (TN)	Kilpatrick (MI)	Pinchey (ME)
DeFazio	Kilroy	Polis (CO)
DeGette	Kind	Pomeroy
Delahunt	Kingston	Posey
DeLauro	Kissell	Price (NC)
Dent	Klein (FL)	Rahall
Dicks	Kosmas	Rangel
Dingell	Kratovil	Reichert
Doggett	Kucinich	Reyes
Doyle	Langevin	Richardson
Driehaus	Larsen (WA)	Rodriguez
Edwards (MD)	Larson (CT)	Ross
Edwards (TX)	Lee (CA)	Rothman (NJ)

Roybal-Allard	Shea-Porter	Towns
Ruppersberger	Sherman	Tsongas
Rush	Shuler	Van Hollen
Ryan (OH)	Sires	Velázquez
Salazar	Slaughter	Vislosky
Sánchez, Linda	Smith (WA)	Walz
T.	Snyder	Waters
Sanchez, Loretta	Speier	Watt
Sarbanes	Spratt	Waxman
Schakowsky	Stupak	Weiner
Schauer	Tanner	Welch
Schiff	Tauscher	Wexler
Schrader	Taylor	Whitfield
Schwartz	Thompson (CA)	Wilson (OH)
Scott (GA)	Thompson (MS)	Woolsey
Scott (VA)	Tierney	Yarmuth
Serrano	Titus	
Sestak	Tonko	

NAYS—163

Aderholt	Franks (AZ)	Myrick
Akin	Frelinghuysen	Neugebauer
Alexander	Gallely	Nunes
Altmire	Garrett (NJ)	Nye
Arcuri	Giffords	Olson
Austria	Gingrey (GA)	Paul
Bachus	Granger	Paulsen
Barrett (SC)	Graves	Pence
Bartlett	Guthrie	Peterson
Barton (TX)	Hall (TX)	Petri
Biggart	Harper	Pitts
Billirakis	Hastings (WA)	Platts
Bishop (UT)	Hensarling	Poe (TX)
Blackburn	Herger	Price (GA)
Bonner	Hunter	Putnam
Bono Mack	Inglis	Radanovich
Boozman	Issa	Rehberg
Boustany	Jenkins	Roe (TN)
Brady (TX)	Johnson, E. B.	Rogers (AL)
Broun (GA)	Johnson, Sam	Rogers (KY)
Brown (SC)	Jones	Rogers (MI)
Brown-Waite,	Jordan (OH)	Rohrabacher
Ginny	King (IA)	Rooney
Buchanan	King (NY)	Ros-Lehtinen
Burton (IN)	Kirk	Roskam
Buyer	Kirkpatrick (AZ)	Royce
Calvert	Kline (MN)	Ryan (WI)
Camp	Lamborn	Scalise
Cantor	Lance	Schmidt
Capito	Latham	Schock
Carney	LaTourette	Sensenbrenner
Carter	Latta	Shadegg
Castle	Lee (NY)	Shimkus
Chaffetz	Lewis (CA)	Simpson
Childers	Linder	Smith (NE)
Coble	LoBiondo	Smith (NJ)
Coffman (CO)	Lucas	Smith (TX)
Cole	Luetkemeyer	Space
Conaway	Lungren, Daniel	Stearns
Crenshaw	E.	Terry
Culberson	Mack	Thornberry
Davis (KY)	Manzullo	Tiaht
Deal (GA)	Marchant	Tiberi
Diaz-Balart, L.	McCarthy (CA)	Turner
Diaz-Balart, M.	McCaul	Upton
Donnelly (IN)	McCotter	Walden
Dreier	McHenry	Wamp
Duncan	McKeon	Westmoreland
Ehlers	McMorris	Wilson (SC)
Ellsworth	Rodgers	Wittman
Emerson	Mica	Wolf
Fallin	Miller (FL)	Wu
Flake	Miller (MI)	Young (AK)
Fleming	Mitchell	Young (FL)
Fortenberry	Moran (KS)	
Fox	Murphy, Tim	

NOT VOTING—27

Bachmann	Holden	Stark
Bishop (GA)	Lowey	Sullivan
Blunt	McHugh	Sutton
Boehner	Miller, Gary	Teague
Burgess	Perriello	Thompson (PA)
Campbell	Sessions	Wasserman
Cao	Shuster	Schultz
Cassidy	Skelton	Watson
Farr	Solis (CA)	
Gohmert	Souder	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). One minute remains in this vote.

□ 1350

Messrs. DUNCAN, GINGREY of Georgia, BROWN of Georgia and Mrs.

EMERSON changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL W. SHEEHY

(Ms. PELOSI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to sing the praises of Mike Sheehy, a person who has served our country for over 30 years in the military and on Capitol Hill. Unfortunately for us, Mike Sheehy is moving on after over 30 years of service, and so it is with mixed feelings that I say how proud we are of him, but how sad we are to see him leave.

Mike began in the Congress of the United States as an aide in 1977 to Congressman Eddie Boland of Massachusetts. That is a name familiar to many of us here in the Chamber. He served as Chairman Boland's administrative assistant, and then went on to serve him as Staff Director and Chief Counsel at the House Intelligence Committee, and that is where many of us became more fully aware of Mike's contribution to our country.

He came to my staff in 2003 when I became House Democratic leader. He became the security adviser to that office. That same year he was recognized with the prestigious Director's Award, the highest award given by the Defense Intelligence Agency.

Mike is the proud father of three children, Beth, Matt and Tim. His children are continuing the family commitment to public service. Beth served in the Peace Corps in Kazakhstan and Matt served proudly in our Nation's military.

Of all the people that I have worked with and served with in this Congress and beyond, I can say that Mike Sheehy is truly an all-American patriot. He loves America. He came here after attending Marquette University and Georgetown Law School and serving in the Navy. Since then he has been serving our country, staffing the Congress of the United States.

Leaving after 33 years, he leaves a foundation of knowledge and experience and judgment to those of us who will carry on.

Thank you, Mike Sheehy, for your leadership and your service to our country.

Mr. HOYER. Will the Speaker yield?

Ms. PELOSI. I am pleased to yield to the gentleman.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentlewoman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, I have risen before to note how well this country is served by those who work for this institution and with all of us. They are not elected; they are selected. They are selected by those of us who have been given the honor and privi-

lege of serving in this body. They are, however, equally important. They don't have a vote, but they have extraordinary influence, and their influence in many respects is in direct relation to the substance of their advice and counsel.

By that yardstick, I think there is no staff person with whom I have worked through the years that surpasses Mike Sheehy in terms of the value added to the considerations of the critical issues that confront our country.

In particular, Mr. Sheehy has been involved in some of the information most vital to protecting our people and our Nation. He has done so with great intellect, with great integrity, with great insight, with great thoughtfulness.

Mike, America does not know the name Mike Sheehy, doesn't see you on C-SPAN, but they have been extraordinarily well-served by you. Well, they may have seen him from time to time perhaps on C-SPAN. But they have been extraordinarily well-served by you. Your country has been well-served by you in the Navy and in this institution, and each and every one of us have been well-served by you. But in particular I know, as I said as we were walking to the Chamber, the Speaker of our House will uniquely miss your quiet presence, your extraordinarily good advice and counsel, and your steady hand.

Mr. Speaker, I express my gratitude to Michael Sheehy, a true public servant of the finest caliber—who leaves us at the end of the week.

Mike has spent 30 years on Capitol Hill, following five years in the Navy. That makes a grand total of 35 years in public service to the people of this great Nation.

I have known Mike personally for several years. He is a studied and cautious professional, with extremely sound judgment and an almost unparalleled depth of policy knowledge on national security issues.

Most recently, I had the pleasure of working with Mike on renewing the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. Mike proved critical to the arduous negotiations, and went above the call of duty—spending several late nights with me, in my office, poring over bill text.

He has been an asset and a loyal friend to me and my staff, certainly to Speaker PELOSI, and to the Members he served before her. He is irreplaceable and will be missed tremendously, although we wish him well in all that lies ahead.

Godspeed. Good luck. Well done.

Ms. PELOSI. I am pleased to yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. REYES. I thank the gentlelady for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute as well to our Speaker's national security adviser and former staff director to the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Mr. Michael Sheehy.

As chairman of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, I have had the immense honor of working closely with Mike on significant intelligence issues of our day. Whether the subject

matter is foreign intelligence surveillance laws, satellite technology or human intelligence operations, he is virtually a walking encyclopedia of knowledge.

Mike's national security expertise is the result of many years of public service, first during his time in the U.S. Navy JAG Corps, and then in the 10 years he spent as an aide to the late Representative Edward Boland.

As some of you may remember, Mr. Boland was the first chairman of the House Intelligence Committee and he earned great distinction as the father of the Boland Amendment, which prohibited funding of U.S. involvement in the Nicaraguan Contras uprising. Acting as an associate staff member for the House Iran-Contra Investigating Committee, Mike had a front-row seat to the history that evolved during his service to Representative Boland.

Mike joined the Intelligence Committee as chief counsel in 1990 under the leadership of then-chairman Anthony Beilenson. In 2003, he received the Defense Intelligence Agency's Director's Award, the highest award given by that agency. It was at that time that he left the committee when then-minority leader, our Speaker today, hired him as her senior policy adviser. To me, it seems she knew a good thing when she saw it. We missed him on the committee, but we were glad he was there advising our Speaker.

In the time that I have had the privilege to serve as a member and now as chairman of the Intelligence Committee, I have grown to rely on him and discovered that Mike's depth and breadth of intelligence knowledge are only surpassed in my opinion by his exacting eye for detail, his capacity to focus on the bigger picture and his ability to find middle ground when there doesn't seem to be any.

While he is often quiet, Mike is always processing, turning the information over and over in his head, and offering a measured, thoughtful response to whatever the situation may be.

Just as he has ably served the Speaker, he has become a trusted adviser for me as chairman and for our Intelligence Committee as well.

□ 1400

So, today, to Mike, I say thank you for your service to your Nation and thank you for your capable counsel on all matters of intelligence. I wish you success as you retire with over 35 years of public service, and I hope that you find much happiness in all of your endeavors. God bless you, Mike.

Ms. PELOSI. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Speaker, in conclusion I want to say that in addition to all the wonderful things that are said about Mike, simply put, without his leadership and knowledge staffing us on the Intelligence Committee at a crucial time in our country's history, we would not have had a 9/11 Commission. I know